

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Wang et al.  
Appl. No.: 10/506,418  
Conf. No.: 8357  
Filed: March 30, 2005  
Title: BIODEGRADABLE MATERIALS FROM STARCH-GRAFTED POLYMERS  
Art Unit: 1796  
Examiner: Heincer, Liam J.  
Docket No.: 117682-011

Attn: OPIE – Customer Services  
United States Patent and Trademark Office

**SMALL ENTITY STATUS AND REQUEST FOR REFUND**

Sir:

**SMALL ENTITY STATUS:**

Under 37 C.F.R. §1.27, Applicants request to be designated as small entity status.

**REQUEST FOR REFUND:**

On May 11, 2009, Applicants submitted a one month Petition for Extension of Time (\$130.00). The total filing fees paid in the above-identified application were \$130.00. The fees were paid via electronic payment on May 11, 2009. The one month extension fees were paid for a large entity. However, Applicants are a small entity, the small entity one month petition for extension of time fee is (\$65.00.) and is the correct fee due for the above-identified patent. Accordingly, Applicant requests a refund of \$65.00 (\$130.00 paid - \$65.00 small entity fee equals \$65.00). Please credit deposit account number 02-1818 for the \$65.00 refund.

Applicant believes no fees are due for this submission. However, please charge deposit account number 02-1818 for any required fees for this submission. Applicant kindly requests that the above-identified Attorney Docket No. 117682-011 be referenced with respect to the refund/credit and any charges made to the deposit account as discussed above.

Respectfully submitted,

K&L GATES LLP

BY 

Robert M. Barrett

Reg. No. 30,142

Customer No. 24573

Dated: August 24, 2009